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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in reply to an Office Action mailed December 4, 2010. The amendments and remarks as provided herein are filed pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 submitted concurrently herewith. These papers are timely filed with the appropriate fees, including fees for an RCE and for any required extension of time.

In view of the amendments and remarks provided herewith, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment, believed necessary to bring prosecution to a conclusion and to deal justly by Applicants and the public. Applicants believe this Amendment defines their

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invention in claims that are patentably distinct to provide them with patent protection to which they are justly entitled. No new matter has been introduced with this paper and Applicants believe that no additional search is required on the part of the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and requests allowance of claims pending in their Application for patent.

Provided herewith and for consideration with the subject Application are the following:

Amendments to the Claims reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 3;

Remarks that begin on page 10; and

Conclusion that begins on page 13 of this paper.